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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

PATRICIA E. COOPER, Plaintiff,

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v.

11|| BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; U.S. BANK

12 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION;

13 EXPERIAN INFORMATION

14 SOLUTIONS, INC., an Ohio Corporation;

15 and EQUIFAX INFORMATION

16 SERVICES LLC, a Georgia Limited

17 Liability Company,

Defendants.

No. 2:23-CV-00121-SAB

ORDER DENYING STIPULATED MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Before the Court is the parties' Stipulated Motion for Protective Order, ECF No. 40. The motion was heard without oral argument.

The parties ask the Court to sign a protective order that was drafted and agreed to by the parties. It is this Court's practice to not enter general protective orders that simply set forth the parties' agreement for handling "confidential" 25 materials. The parties are free to contract between themselves regarding disclosure 26 of information produced in discovery and pursue appropriate remedies in the event of breach; however, the Court will not be party to such an agreement. If, in the 28 future, the parties wish to file specific items of discovery in the court record and

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protect such items from public access, the Court will entertain an application for a narrowly tailored protective order.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The parties' Stipulated Motion for Protective Order, ECF No. 40, is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The District Court Executive is hereby directed to file this Order and provide copies to counsel.

DATED this 26th day of July 2023.



Stanley A. Bastian Chief United States District Judge